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- 1. EMBASSY/UNC IN BASIC AGREEMENT WITH DRAFT LETTER PRESENTED REF. (A). FOLLOWING ARE OUR COMMENTS ON A FEW SPECIFIC POINTS:
- 2. SUGGEST REPLACEMENT FOURTH SENTENCE, PARA 1, DRAFT LETTER WITH FOLLOWING MORE PRECISE SENTENCE: "IN ADDITION SOME 390 U.S. PERSONNEL ARE ASSIGNED TO HEADQUARTERS UN COMMAND AND SUBORDINATE AGENCIES FOR DISCHARGE OF ARMISTICE RESPONSIBILITIES."
- 3. LAST SENTENCE OF PARA 1 OF DRAFT (ON UNC HONOR GUARD) CAN GIVE MISTAKEN IMPRESSION THAT THERE ARE NO U.S. OR ROK TROOPS IN HONOR GUARD AND THAT UNIT IS COMPOSED OF ONLY 50 MEN. ALSO, ALTHOUGH WE LEAVE IT UP TO DEPARTMENT'S AND USUN'S JUDGMENT, THERE IS SOME POSSIBILITY THAT SPECIFIC MENTION IN LETTER TO UNSC PRESIDENT OF THAI AND PHILIPPINE PARTICIPATION MAY BE VIEWED BY THESE GOVERNMENTS AS SOURCE OF EMBARRASSMENT. ONE POSSIBLE SOLUTION TO ALL PROBLEMS CONFIDENTIAL

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- 4. THE ANTECEDENT OF THE WORD "ITS" IN PARA 3 IS UNCLEAR.
- 5. THE FIFTH PARAGRAPH REFERRING TO JUNE 27 LETTER TO THE S.C. PRESIDENT ON THE TERMINATION OF THE UNC SEEMS REPETITIOUS IN VIEW OF PARA THREE'S REFERENCE TO SAME LETTER AND SUBJECT.
- 6. WITH REGARD TO LISTING OF SITES WHERE FLAG STILL FLYING, WE BELIEVE ROKG WOULD BE RELUCTANT TO INCLUDE SUCH LIST IN LETTER. SNEIDER

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